RESOLUTION 2013 - 126

A RESOLUTION OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA REQUESTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DESIGNATE STATE HIGHWAY A1A ON AMELIA ISLAND FROM THE DUVAL COUNTY LINE TO THOMAS J. SHAVE BRIDGE AS A FLORIDA SCENIC HIGHWAY PURSUANT TO SECTION 335.093, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 335.093, Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Department of Transportation to designate public roads as Scenic Highways in recognition of their cultural, historic and scenic value; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County is the location of the northern terminus of the famous and historically significant roadway State Road A1A; and

WHEREAS, A1A offers visitors a unique view of Amelia Island, the scenic beauty of the Atlantic Ocean, its beaches and dunes, its majestic oak canopy, the historic architecture of Fernandina Beach and recreational opportunities provided by the Amelia Island Trail (A1A) and beach access points; and

WHEREAS, the portion of State Road A1A in Duval County is proposed for designation with that of Nassau County as A1A Ocean Islands Trail; and

WHEREAS, A1A in St. Johns and Flagler Counties have been designated as the Scenic and Historic A1A Coastal Byway; and

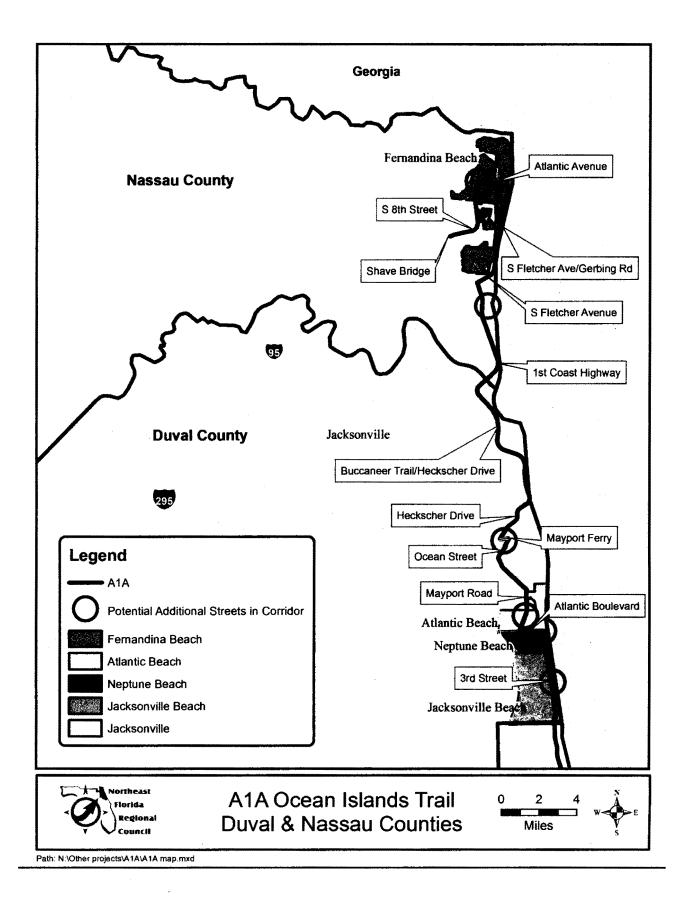
WHEREAS, Nassau County desires the Florida Department of Transportation to designate the unbroken length of State Road A1A on Amelia Island, from the Thomas J. Shave bridge in the north to the Duval County line in the south, as a Florida Scenic Highway. The Scenic Highway program recognizes the beauty and cultural significance of important roads in Florida, and supports their marketing as economic hubs and premier destinations for visitors from around the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, the designation of A1A as a state Scenic Highway will assist in the promotion of tourism and economic development in the area and in the marketing of Amelia Island and Nassau County as a premier destination for visitors from around the nation and around the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Nassau County hereby requests the Florida Department of Transportation to designate State Road A1A on Amelia Island from the Thomas J. Shave Bridge in the north to the Duval County line in the south as an official state Scenic Highway. The County stands ready to supply whatever information and assistance may be necessary to complete the application and review process in furtherance of the designation.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall become effective after filing with the Secretary of State



PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS <u>28th</u> DAY OF <u>October</u>, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

DANIEL B. LEEI Its: Chairman

ATTEST as to Chairman's Signature:

JØHN A. CRAWFORD m Its: Ex-Officio Clerk 10/30/13

Approved as to form and legality by the Nassau County Attorney:

DAVID A. HALLMAN, County Attorney